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EXAMINATION REPORT
OF
JENNINGS COUNTY
JENNINGS COUNTY, INDIANA
January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007



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OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Auditor	Janice L. Ramey	01-01-07 to 12-31-10
Treasurer	Ruth Ann Horstman	01-01-05 to 12-31-08
Clerk	Ronald E. Bloemer	01-01-07 to 12-31-10
Sheriff	Stephan D. Hoppock	01-01-07 to 12-31-10
Recorder	Mary E. Hendrix	01-01-07 to 12-31-10
President of the Board of County commissioners	Richard B. Schneider	01-01-07 to 12-31-08
President of the County Council	Edward L. Maschino	01-01-07 to 12-31-08



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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF JENNINGS COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the financial information presented herein of Jennings County (County), for the period of January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007. The County's management is responsible for the financial information presented herein. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the financial information presented herein and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial information referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial information of the County for the year ended December 31, 2007, based on the criteria set forth in the uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

The Schedule of Capital Assets and Schedule of Long-Term Debt, as listed in the Table of Contents, are presented for additional analysis and are not required parts of the basic financial information. They have not been subjected to the examination procedures applied to the basic financial information and, accordingly we express no opinion on them.

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS

March 10, 2008

JENNINGS COUNTY
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES
As Of And For The Year Ended December 31, 2007

	Cash and Investments 01-01-07	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-07
Governmental Funds:				
General	\$ 644,827	\$ 7,496,017	\$ 6,370,779	\$ 1,770,065
Riverboat Wagering Tax	126,552	193,749	229,566	90,735
County Highway	718,475	2,395,563	2,580,461	533,577
County Health	107,242	246,257	268,130	85,369
Local Road and Street	37,797	321,048	304,215	54,630
Accident Report	35	5,662	5,521	176
Firearms Training	10,026	13,540	21,995	1,571
Alcohol and Drug Program	14,717	64,830	55,109	24,438
Surveyor's Corner Perpetuation	26,569	6,784	5,660	27,693
Supplemental Adult Probation Services	48,736	76,161	54,928	69,969
Supplemental Juvenile Probation Users	51,415	11,679	1,640	61,454
Recorder's Records Perpetuation	15,130	31,704	20,565	26,269
County Sheriff's Donation	612	1,956	93	2,475
Local Health Maintenance	50,249	44,814	41,151	53,912
Sheriff's Commissary	1,787	179,460	178,086	3,161
Special Vehicle Inspection	85	685	255	515
Emergency Telephone System	279,936	640,482	612,728	307,690
County Family and Children	1,011,703	1,679,037	1,814,826	875,914
Property Reassessment	307,476	81,147	117,205	271,418
County Drug Free Community	23,090	24,912	14,019	33,983
Court Appointed Special Advocate	-	14,970	5,852	9,118
County Road 350 N Grant	-	148,346	148,346	-
Law Enforcement	2	15,898	6,865	9,035
Operation Pull-Over	6,637	1,500	7,081	1,056
Economic Development Income Tax	157,468	2,210,816	1,790,059	578,225
S.I.S.W.D. Grant	794	8,455	5,121	4,128
RESPECT Grant	-	10,174	10,174	-
Community Corrections	973	17,542	-	18,515
Covered Bridge	11,087	3,700	-	14,787
Supplemental Public Defender	16,456	37,157	43,392	10,221
Care Initiative	292	7,042	7,042	292
D.A.R.E	37	-	37	-
Animal Control	63,290	98,625	98,370	63,545
Children's Psychiatric Residential Treatment	37,152	66,051	36,185	67,018
Equitable Share Law Enforcement	66	-	-	66
Drug Abuse Prevention	5,583	7,014	-	12,597
Adult Probation Superior Court	133,260	90,652	98,278	125,634
Jury Fees	12,138	6,444	7,448	11,134
Deferral Program	22,065	12,682	13,267	21,480
Area Plan Nonreverting	1,680	163,692	161,736	3,636
Law Enforcement Continuing Education	2,580	495	2,573	502
Court Security	860	20,551	21,411	-
4-D Child Support Impact	22,639	-	-	22,639

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial information.

JENNINGS COUNTY
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES
As Of And For The Year Ended December 31, 2007
(Continued)

	Cash and Investments 01-01-07	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-07
Governmental Funds (continued):				
Clerk's Document Storage Fee	52,072	7,784	16,613	43,243
Criminal Records	159	-	-	159
Nonreverting Prisoner Reimbursement	8,900	25,183	-	34,083
Victim's of Crime Assistance	-	13,411	10,684	2,727
Rainy Day	697,721	9,674	707,395	-
Tax Sale Costs	29,651	32,505	33,927	28,229
Pre-Trial Diversion	15,909	6,096	11,911	10,094
Transfer Fee	5,455	7,780	8,175	5,060
Supplemental Circuit Probation Service	920	10,701	7,401	4,220
Supplemental Superior Probation Services	10,912	24,637	17,953	17,596
Supplemental Juvenile Probation Services	2,306	5,183	974	6,515
Sales Disclosure Local	14,209	3,813	-	18,022
Bio-Terrorism	433	-	343	90
Landfill Closure	10,448	-	300	10,148
Cumulative Bridge	788,035	439,325	554,865	672,495
Park Nonreverting Capital	73,504	48,213	35,951	85,766
Cumulative Courthouse	118,488	94,356	30,280	182,564
Pass-Trough Loan	492	-	-	492
Courthouse Bond Redemption	397,769	754,863	768,000	384,632
Muscatatuck Refuge	19,937	18,453	38,390	-
Solid Waste System	10,921	36,614	39,687	7,848
Public Health Preparedness	2,101	51,846	49,246	4,701
Death Benefit	1,335	1,575	-	2,910
Community Service	7,955	9,227	4,000	13,182
Tobacco Settlement	18,454	37,809	32,471	23,792
Campbell Township Sewer Grant	87,553	80,650	168,203	-
Recorder's Security Protection	11,014	12,208	17,673	5,549
Electronic Map	500	-	-	500
Courthouse Security Grant	-	33,793	33,793	-
Rescue 20 Grant	725	-	-	725
Local Emergency Planning Grant	16,954	3,851	6,515	14,290
Emergency Management Nonreverting	16,332	47,484	51,643	12,173
Interpreter Grant	450	1,000	825	625
Pandemic Assessment	10	3,000	-	3,010
Race Gender Interpreter Grant	450	-	50	400
Innkeepers Tax	30,335	31,436	30,000	31,771
Paramedic Training	-	18,000	10,595	7,405
Fiduciary Funds:				
County Treasurer	170,136	26,468,750	26,416,916	221,970
Tax Sale Redemption	4,237	84,154	88,267	124
Tax Sale Surplus	260,113	353,965	224,190	389,888

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JENNINGS COUNTY
SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES
As Of And For The Year Ended December 31, 2007
(Continued)

	Cash and Investments 01-01-07	Receipts	Disbursements	Cash and Investments 12-31-07
Fiduciary Funds (continued):				
Mortgage Fee	2,123	3,198	5,038	283
Tax Increment	-	72,419	72,419	-
Domestic Violence	-	29,748	17,474	12,274
Inheritance Tax	68,013	372,135	342,866	97,282
Surplus Tax	109	31,289	30,812	586
Congressional Interest	8,168	605	234	8,539
Tax Distributions	5,705	30,086,143	30,091,848	-
Infraction Judgments	13,148	22,855	33,245	2,758
Payroll Withholdings	26,419	2,202,457	2,210,509	18,367
Tax Certificate Sale	-	5,535	2,918	2,617
Education License Plate Fees	-	1,800	1,800	-
County User Fee	155	-	-	155
Local DNR Law Enforcement	554	1,230	-	1,784
Coroner's Training and Continuing Education	585	1,077	1,604	58
State Sales Disclosure Fee	2,315	3,813	6,013	115
City and Town Court Cost	10,426	9,147	18,858	715
Fines and Forfeitures	2,983	20,843	19,922	3,904
Welfare Trust	84,535	54,670	38,146	101,059
County Law Enforcement Continuing Education	21,323	5,945	3,174	24,094
Interstate Compact Fee	250	375	625	-
Muscatatuck Park	1,248	45,717	46,965	-
EMS Clearing	24,886	321,002	317,925	27,963
Clerk of the Circuit Court	523,026	6,437,352	6,204,097	756,281
Area Plan Commission	50	90,606	90,606	50
County Auditor	50	16,784	16,784	50
County Sheriff	9,174	551,610	551,249	9,535
Health Department	-	57,750	57,750	-
County Animal Control	100	5,175	4,675	600
County Recorder	-	138,780	138,730	50
Sheriff's Inmate Trust	11,331	189,098	181,482	18,947
County Hospital Care for the Indigent	-	247,234	247,234	-
Medical Assistance to Wards	-	37,178	37,178	-
Children with Special Health Care Needs	-	26,954	26,954	-
Sewer Lien Fund	-	9,272	9,272	-
Homestead Credit Rebate	-	745,324	-	745,324
Sheriff's Pension	1,125,898	191,271	91,036	1,226,133
Congressional Principal	11,745	-	-	11,745
Totals	<u>\$ 8,812,732</u>	<u>\$ 87,271,023</u>	<u>\$ 85,496,847</u>	<u>\$ 10,586,908</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial information.

JENNINGS COUNTY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Note 1. Introduction

The County was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The County provides the following services: public safety (police), highways and streets, sanitation, health, welfare and social services, culture and recreation, public improvements, planning and zoning, and general administrative services.

Note 2. Fund Accounting

The County uses funds to report on its cash and investments and the results of its operations on a cash basis. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities.

Note 3. Budgets

The operating budget is initially prepared and approved at the local level. In addition, funds for which property taxes are levied or highway use taxes are received are subject to final approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

Note 4. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied are collected by the County Treasurer and are distributed to the County in June and December. State statute (IC 6-1.1-17-16) requires the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance to establish property tax rates and levies by February 15. These rates were based upon the preceding year's March 1 (lien date) assessed valuations adjusted for various tax credits. Taxable property is assessed at 100% of the true tax value (determined in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance). Taxes may be paid in two equal installments which become delinquent if not paid by May 10 and November 10, respectively. All property taxes collected by the County Treasurer and available for distribution were distributed to the District on or prior to December 31 of the year collected.

Note 5. Deposits and Investments

Deposits, made in accordance with Indiana Code 5-13, with financial institutions in the State of Indiana at year end were entirely insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or by the Indiana Public Deposit Insurance Fund. This includes any deposit accounts issued or offered by a qualifying financial institution.

State statute (IC 5-13-9) authorizes the County to invest in securities including, but not limited to, federal government securities, repurchase agreements, and certain money market mutual funds. Certain other statutory restrictions apply to all investments made by local governmental units.

JENNINGS COUNTY
NOTES TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION
(Continued)

Note 6. Pension Plans

Single-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

A. County Police Retirement Plan

Plan Description

The primary government contributes to the County Police Retirement Plan, which is a single-employer defined benefit pension plan. With the approval of the primary government's fiscal body, the plan is administered by the sheriff's department and an appointed trustee as authorized by state statute (IC 36-8-10-12) for full-time police officers. The plan provides retirement, death, and disability benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The trustee issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information of the plan. The report may be obtained by contacting:

Public Employees' Retirement Fund
Harrison Building, Room 800
143 West Market Street
Indianapolis, IN 46204
Ph. (317) 233-4162

Funding Policy and Annual Pension Cost

The contribution requirements of plan members for the County Police Retirement Plan are established by state statute. The primary government's annual pension cost and related information, as provided by the actuary, is presented in this note.

B. County Police Benefit Plan

Plan Description

The primary government contributes to the County Police Benefit Plan which is a single-employer defined benefit pension plan. With the approval of the primary government's fiscal body, the plan is administered by the sheriff's department and an appointed trustee as authorized by state statute (IC 36-8-10-12) for full-time police officers. The plan provides dependent pensions, life insurance, and disability benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The trustee issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information of the plan. The report may be obtained by contacting:

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JENNINGS COUNTY
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS

For The Year Ended December 31, 2007

Capital assets are reported at actual or estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost. Contributed or donated assets are reported at estimated fair value at the time received.

General infrastructure assets are included if acquired (purchased, constructed, or donated) after July 1, 1980, or if they received major renovations, restorations, or improvements after that date. The government was able to estimate the historical cost for the initial reporting of these assets through backtrending (i.e., estimating the current replacement cost of the infrastructure to be capitalized and using an appropriate price-level index to deflate the cost to the acquisition year or estimated acquisition year.) As the government constructs or acquires additional capital assets each period, including infrastructure assets, they are reported at historical cost.

<u>Primary Government</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Governmental activities:	
Capital assets, not being depreciated:	
Land	\$ 213,989
Infrastructure	77,380,627
Buildings	9,215,277
Improvements other than buildings	995,621
Machinery and equipment	<u>6,441,774</u>
Total governmental activities, capital assets not being depreciated	<u>\$ 94,247,288</u>

JENNINGS COUNTY
 SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
 SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM DEBT
 December 31, 2007

The County has entered into the following debt:

Description of Debt	Ending Principal Balance	Principal and Interest Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:		
Capital leases:		
Manatron	\$ 33,308	\$ 17,842
E911 Motorola	251,762	57,676
New Holland Tractor/Mower	13,363	13,764
2 Dump Trucks	166,274	37,456
Computer System 03	33,183	34,493
County Highway Truck	38,370	20,140
E911 Equipment	1,660	1,965
Gradall County Highway	92,263	33,184
Dodge Truck	53,291	19,234
Notes and loans payable		
FSSA Loan	370,985	252,600
Bonds payable:		
General obligation bonds:		
Courthouse Annex/Jai	<u>4,555,000</u>	<u>763,000</u>
Total governmental activities long-term debt	<u>\$ 5,609,459</u>	<u>\$ 1,251,354</u>

JENNINGS COUNTY
OTHER REPORTS

The report presented herein was prepared in addition to other official reports prepared for the individual County offices listed below:

County Auditor
County Sheriff
Clerk of the Circuit Court

JENNINGS COUNTY
EXIT CONFERENCE

The contents of this report were discussed on March 10, 2008, with Janice L. Ramey, Auditor; Richard B. Schneider, President of the Board of County Commissioners; and Edward L. Maschino, President of the County Council.